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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HAJIME YAMAMOTO, et al.) Examiner: J. Nguyen
Application No.: 10/067,358) Group Art Unit: 2861
Filed: February 7, 2002)
For: LIQUID CONTAINER, LIQUID)
SUPPLY SYSTEM AND INK JET)
RECORDING APPARATUS)
UTILIZING THE SAME, AND)
METHOD OF MOUNTING)
LIQUID CONTAINER ON)
RECORDING APPARATUS)

October 10, 2003

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the July 10, 2003 Requirement To Restrict, the period for response to which having been extended to October 10, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the Species I claims, namely Figures 1, 3B, 4 and 5A-5D. Claims 1 to 14 read on the elected species.

The election is made without traverse.

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An action on the merits of Claims 1 to 14 is respectfully requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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